



Goodwood Gazette

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'Strive to Achieve'

Respect	Effort
Safety	Self-Responsibility
Behaviour Expectations	

2016 School Improvement Focus: Numeracy Skills & Reading Comprehension

Dates for Diaries

Tuesday 22 nd November to Tuesday 6 th December	School swimming everyday
Tuesday 22 nd November	P&C meeting 3pm in the library
Thursday 24 th November	Captain elections
Monday 28 th November Tuesday 29 th November	Yr 6 High School Transition
Wednesday 30 th November	Green House Captain Elections
Friday 2 nd December	Year 6 Graduation
Wednesday 7 th December	Swimming Carnival 10am-12pm
Wednesday 7 th December	Concert and Awards Night 6pm onwards
Thursday 8 th December	Fun Day
Friday 9 th December	Last day of term. Happy Holidays
Monday 23 rd January	First day back in 2017!

NO CASH PAYMENTS CAN BE ACCEPTED FOR BOOK CLUB ORDERS. Thank you

Acting Principal

The end of the school year is fast approaching. The last two weeks have been very busy with all students completing assessment, planning and rehearsing concert items and preparing for swimming. The next 3 weeks will go in a flash.

Same Day Notification

Earlier in the year, the report *When a child is missing: Remembering Tialeigh – a report into Queensland's children missing from out-of-home care* was released and the Queensland Government has accepted a recommendation from the Queensland Family and Child Commission that the Department will implement same day notifications advising parents/carers when a child has an unexplained absence from school.

By 2017, all schools will have to have a system that informs parents if their child is not present at school and the absence has not been explained on the same day of the absence.

Of course, an issue we will face at Goodwood State School is that parents/ carers often make contact with us after the absence to give a reason for the absence. This is one area that will have to change. Parents/carers will need to make contact with the school the day of the absence by 10am.

Congratulations

Well done to both Joey and Caleb for participating in Wide Bay Aquathon Trials recently held in Hervey Bay. Through Joey's performance, he was selected to represent the Wide Bay at the Queensland Titles which will be held in Hervey Bay in early 2017. Well done.

Thank You

On behalf of Goodwood State School I would like to extend our thanks to a range of people who have played a major role in events undertaken at school over the last two weeks. I would like to thank Mr Don Moore for taking such a keen interest in coordinating our Remembrance Day Service. I would also like to thank the wonderful P & C for all of their efforts in putting together the school Disco and Special Food Day. These three events would not be possible if it were not for the help of Mr Moore, the P & C and all of the parents who help so willingly. Thank you.

Weekly Awards

Congratulations to Bella, Lilly, Natasha, Aria, Ricky, Tamalin, Tasha, Nicholas, Chace, Thomas and Presley.



Each student was awarded to acknowledge the talents and attributes they have displayed and truly deserve their award. Well done to all and Congratulations!!

What's Happening in our Classrooms

Prep/ Year 1

Lower Class

In Maths the Prep students have been spending all of their money and going shopping. They labelled items in the classroom with a price tag and these items went into their shop. They then had to choose the correct silver or gold coin to buy that item at the shop. They all took turns at being the shopkeeper and there were lots of empty purses and wallets. Later in the week they had to build a house that was **just right** for Rocky the dog. They had to use informal units of measure (unifix cubes) to measure Rocky's dimensions and then use the measurements while building their houses. Our potential builders of the future had lots of fun and Rocky could actually fit into all of his holiday houses.



Year 2/3

The Festive spirit arrived in the 2/3 classroom this week, with Christmas cards and candy canes already being handed out. It has been a busy week of assessment for us. We have also had a focus on science, learning about heat. There will be no more homework for our class this year, but please encourage your child to keep reading for the remainder of the school year and over the holidays.



Year 4/5/6

The last two weeks has seen the Year 4/5/6 students all madly completing a huge range of tasks. Students have been completing their analysis of 'Winnie the Pooh' in English, learning about a range of land forms in Geography, rehearsing concert choreography, and for some of our students, getting ready for Transition Day or School Leadership speeches.



Concert

School concert preparations are well under way with students learning their new songs and performances. It would be appreciated if you could assist with the preparations by making sure your child has appropriate clothing for the evening. We try our very best to keep this expense to a minimum and if you have any difficulties finding these items please speak with the teacher.

Prep and Year 1 will need to wear black shorts/skirt (school uniform shorts/skirts are fine). If your child has black shoes these are preferable but school shoes will be fine if not. If your child has a cowboy hat that would be great. White socks, white t-shirts, scarves and cowboy hats will be provided for your child but will need to be returned to school.

Year 2/3 parents, we will be going Aussie Country this year. Any clothes that give a bush/country effect would be great. For example: jeans, denim shorts, check shirts, cowboy hats, neck scarf. Cowboy boots are fine if you have them, but they must have a low heel and be easy to dance in.

Year 4, 5 and 6 will need to wear black shorts, pants or skirts (school uniform item is fine). If wearing a skirt please make sure it is appropriate for dancing. Students will also require a white or black shirt or t-shirt. It would be appreciated if big logos could be avoided (even if the t-shirt is worn inside out so they can't be seen). Please wear closed in shoes like you would for school.

Can we please ask that all students arrive at their respective **classrooms by 5:30pm** on Concert night so that the final touches can be added to costumes.

Captain Elections

Parents and carers of students running for school captain are invited to attend the speeches on Thursday 24th November at 2pm. Parents and Carers of those Year 4 students running for Green House Captain are invited to attend the speeches on Wednesday 30th November at 2pm. We hope you will be able to join us.

Student Resource Scheme for 2017

We have had a couple of enquiries about student resources for 2017. We are currently pricing resources for students for the 2017 school year. Further information regarding this will be made available prior to the school holidays.

Swimming

Swimming starts tomorrow...don't forget your swimmers and rashy/ t-shirts. We still have a few outstanding swimming permission notes and payments. It would be appreciated if you could bring these in tomorrow morning if you haven't already.

P&C Messages

Thank you to all the volunteers and school staff who assisted with the disco and special food day. Your help was much appreciated, not just for the fundraising but for the enjoyment that these events bring to the students.

Icy blocks are still on sale on Fridays. We will be selling the fruit juice variety at \$1 each. Please support this and help us raise funds for the Yr 6 Graduation.

We currently have a vacant position on the executive committee. If you would be able to support your school P&C by filling the position of secretary please make contact with Jo Shorter. If you would like more information on what the role entails please speak with Lara Hawker who will happily show you what would be required.

Save the dates:

School Banking - EVERY Wednesday

P&C Meeting - 3pm, 22nd November 2016 in the Library

Bingo at the Woodgate Club - 1st Friday of EVERY Month.

Christmas Stall – Items will be on sale before and after school in the second last week of term.

Community Notices

Childers Library

Dads Read LAUNCH

Thursday 17th November @ 5:30pm

Possum Magic

- Learn about the importance of Dads reading to their children from birth.
- Dads - bring your children and get a free book!
- Talk to our **Dads Read Ambassadors**.
- Join in the *Possum Magic* celebrations.
- Come dressed in your best Aussie outfit!
- Travel Australia with the *Possum Magic* menu

Be their reading legend

Just a reminder that Bundaberg Regional Council will be holding their next Community Outdoor Movie Night in Childers on Friday, 25th November in Tramway Park, Crescent Street, Childers commencing at 7pm, proudly brought to the community by Telstra Stores Bundaberg.

If you need any further information, please don't hesitate to contact the Community Events Team on 1300 883 699.

TOUCH FOOTBALL

Childers- Tues 10th Jan.

Junior Training Camp.

Free Skills & Drills.

Register @

www.sunshinecoasttouchfootball.com

The Staff of Bundaberg Regional Council Relay for Life Team have organised a fundraising shopping trip to the new North Lakes Ikea & Westfield Shopping Centre and you're invited to come!

WHEN: Saturday 3 December – Bus leaves at 5.15am from the Barolin St Bus Stop (between the Post office and BRAG). Bus will leave North Lakes at 5.30pm for the return trip to Bundaberg

WHERE: Choice of shopping at either Ikea and/or Westfield North Lakes

COST: \$55 per person

HOW TO BOOK: Wendy Saunders, BRC Executive Office (4130 4263) or email wendy.saunders@bundaberg.qld.gov.au